



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6532

LCO No. 3456

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR
BRINGING AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES FOR THE SEXUAL ASSAULT
OF A MINOR.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 52-577d of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and*
3 *applicable to any cause of action arising from an act or omission occurring*
4 *prior to, on or after said date*):

5 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 52-577, no action to
6 recover damages for personal injury to a minor, including emotional
7 distress, caused by sexual abuse, sexual exploitation or sexual assault
8 may be brought by such person later than thirty years from the date
9 such person attains the age of majority, except that if material evidence
10 is discovered after the expiration of such time period that could not
11 have been discovered in the exercise of reasonable care prior thereto,
12 such action may be brought no later than three years from the date
13 such evidence is discovered or in the exercise of reasonable care
14 should have been discovered.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage and applicable to any cause of action arising from an act or omission occurring prior to, on or after said date</i>	52-577d

Statement of Purpose:

To allow the bringing of an action to recover damages for personal injury to a minor caused by sexual abuse, sexual exploitation or sexual assault after the statute of limitations has run if there is newly discovered evidence.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]